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PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Proceedings of the Board of Supervisors of Du Page County at a meeting held at the County Court House, Du Page County, on Tuesday, 10th day of December, A. D. 1912, pursuant to call of chair.

Meeting called to order with Chairman Fischer presiding.

On roll call all members present.

Minutes of last preceding meeting read and declared approved.

All bills and communications on file read and the claims referred to the proper committees.

On motion of Supervisor Hamerschmidt, the Board took a recess to 1:30 this day.

On reconvening for afternoon session, on motion of Supervisor Boger, the matter of allowing Mr. Toombs the use of a room in the court house to compare the records for abstract purposes was referred to the court house and grounds committee, with the request that they report their recommendation at a future meeting of the board.

Committee on claims made the following report, which on motion of Supervisor Hamerschmidt was approved:

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen of the Board of Supervisors:

Your committee to whom was referred the claims beg to report they have examined all bills presented and recommend the payment of the following, and that the Clerk be directed to issue orders to the several claimants for the several amounts, to-wit:

A. A. Kuhn, Sheriff's expenses for November, 1912, as per bill	\$ 59.80
Geo. Boger & Son, roofing for County Farm	44.55
John Satchell's Sons, tile for County Farm	23.30
W. K. Gull's Sons, lumber for County Farm	23.94
Hunt-Helm-Ferris & Co., equipment for cow barn at County Farm	386.51
H. P. Stevens, stock for County Farm	250.00
Fulmer & Co., coal for County Farm	340.32
John Stokes, labor and material at court house	10.18
Chas. W. Hadley, telephone toll and express, as per bill	16.25
Lombard Brick & Tile Co., asphalt for County Farm	7.50
The Rogers Hardware Co., hardware for County Farm	23.79
C. D. Bartlett, superintendent, amount paid for tiling	

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LOCAL POULTRYMAN MAKES CLEAN SWEEP AT CHICAGO SHOW

H. A. Robinson took first and fourth prize on cockerel and first and fifth prize on pullet with his rose comb Rhode Island Reds. These birds and the rest of his flock are all bred from last year's winning cockerel at the Chicago show. This year's winnings were made in competition with all the famous breeders of the east and west.

MRS. LOUISE BOHLANDER.

Mrs. Louise Bohlander, nee Wolf, was born in Elsass, then a province of France, on June 22, 1841, came to America with her parents in 1847, who settled near Downers Grove and has since lived in this vicinity.

On Jan. 4, 1865 she was married to Peter Bohlander who six weeks ago was parted from her through death. No children were born to bless this union, still it was long, peaceful and prosperous.

Death called her on Dec. 19, it seemed, not to have them separated, but again united in the land of eternity.

Burial will be on Sunday, Dec. 22, at 1 o'clock p. m., from the residence of Mr. and Mrs. John Behm, 331 Fourth street, where they have resided for the past three years. Interment at Oak Forest.

She leaves to mourn her loss one brother, Fred Wolf, two sisters, Mrs. Caroline Rohmer and Mrs. John Bohlander, also nephews and nieces and a host of friends.

Dearest one, you have left us, And our loss we deeply feel, But 'tis God that has bereft us, He can all our sorrows heal, Yet again he hopes to meet you, When the day of life has fled, When in Heaven with joy to greet you, Where no farewell tear is shed.

—Hinsdale Doings.

PUBLIC INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS OF SPANISH WAR VETERANS.

A public installation of the newly elected officers of Du Page Camp, No. 59, United Spanish War Veterans, will take place Friday evening, January 3, 1913, in the County Court House at Wheaton. This is to be a notable occasion, as the feature of the program which is being arranged is the presentation of relics of the battleship Maine. These relics are given to Du Page Camp by the U. S. government and public spirited citizens. Representatives of the national and state governments are expected to be present and an enjoyable evening is anticipated. The public is cordially invited.

TO BE OR NOT TO BE

Shall the Village Issue Bonds to Put Water and Light Plant in First-Class Condition?

The mass meeting at Dicke's Hall last Thursday night was attended by about 100 citizens. The meeting was called to order by President Ellis of the Village Board. Mr. Ellis went into details of the present condition and needs of the water and light plant. He read the report of C. A. Chapman, an expert consulting engineer of Chicago. Mr. Chapman stated it would take \$17,000 to put the plant in first-class shape, but also stated that it would not be necessary to expend this whole amount immediately if the funds were not available, but that new boilers and some other things were absolutely necessary immediately.

After Mr. Ellis had finished the audience commenced firing questions at him, which he endeavored to answer to the best of his ability. One question which was asked the oftentimes and which, of course, he could not answer, was if there was any assurance that if \$17,000 would be spent to put the plant in good condition, whether it would be able to be self-sustaining and be able to pay the interest and put away enough to pay on depreciation of machinery.

The motion was finally made and carried that the Village Board give an expression of opinion of the advisability of issuing the bonds.

Mr. Ellis has called a meeting of the Village Board for next Monday evening, at which the Board will take action.

A LETTER FROM THE "TRIANGLE" AT LORANGER, LA.

Loranger, La., Dec. 3, 1912.

Editor Downers Grove Reporter:

The new settlers at Loranger, La., were the guests of the Genesee Land Co. on Thanksgiving at a most bountiful dinner at the "Model Farm." Plates were laid for 60 but 66 were served. The house was beautifully decorated with holly, in the center of each of the four tables was an artistic mound of southern fruits—orange, grapes, apples, grape fruit and bananas. These fruits, if protected from the cold for the two winter months, may be grown here. The following menu received just attention from the appreciative guests: Oyster soup, crackers, roast turkey, scalloped oysters, ham, pickles, mashed potatoes, peas, celery, pumpkin pie, cheese, mince pie and coffee. The four hosts, the Messrs. Loranger and their ladies, proved to be charming entertainers.

Before the serving of the dinner we all had the pleasure of taking part in the ceremony of the laying of the cornerstones for the new school building. This schoolhouse will cost \$12,000 and will be completed in the early spring of 1913 and is a free gift to the town of Loranger from the four Loranger brothers (the Genesee Land Co.). Little Gordon Pyatt, aged four, was the mason who put on the last touch of mortar. Embedded in the stone were a number of coins placed there by the Genesee Land Co., and also one placed there by the writer of this letter.

When this ceremony was completed and we had done justice to our Thanksgiving feast the company adjourned to the north gallery of this most modern farm house to listen to the dark melodies and watch the graceful dancing of some of the negroes. It was at a late hour that we took the train to "Cook's Crossing" and from there we were soon at our Wildwood home, the "Triangle," and talking over the pleasant events of the day.

The Loranger brothers, owners of this tract of land, are a very wide-awake, energetic business quartette. They have located the town of Loranger in the center of this large body of cut-over land in their lumber holdings and in the best farming district of Louisiana. Though the first work to open this district was done in the early part of 1912, already the land within a radius of two miles of the new town has been bought by people who will make their homes here. They are coming as rapidly as their business affairs can be settled in the north and they are coming to stay. Three new families arrived within the last month.

Loranger now has a flourishing Sunday school of about 20 members. Roads have been built and are still being built in all directions from the town, and a number of hingedowns will be built in the new town. We have a postoffice still called Jessaca and two general stores.

The weather here is lovely. At night it is cool, and sometimes cold—the very coldest so far was 30 above, this was at night. I have not yet needed a wrap in the day time. Yesterday, Dec. 2, we did our washing out of doors.

Almost everything can be grown here. Those that I of a surety know

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CONGREGATIONAL LADIES MEET.

Between forty and fifty ladies attended the Christmas party given by Mrs. Prince, superintendent of the home department, at her home on Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 17. Decorations of narcissi and Christmas greens lent their charm to an afternoon of rare enjoyment.

Program—Scripture reading, Mrs. Mary Graham; prayer, Rev. Paul Wiebe; piano solo, Mrs. Chas. Haller; ladies chorus, Mesdames Bush, Darley, Shesser and Stillwell, accompanied by Mrs. W. H. Blodgett; vocal solo, Mrs. Blackman, accompanied by Grace Tonsley; talk on China, Miss Mary Nourse.

Miss Nourse, who was a Downers Grove girl, educated in our public schools, is now helping to solve the educational problems of a new China. She is at the head of a union school near Shanghai, supported by three religious denominations, and enrolling one hundred and fifty students. She is enthusiastic over her work, and a staunch defender of the much abused Chinaman. Her talk was informal and opportunity was given for questions. Much light was thrown upon customs, native religions, class distinctions, dress and government during the discussion.

Miss Nourse will speak more fully at a union service to be held in the Baptist church on the evening of Dec. 29 and will illustrate her talk with lantern slides.

Mrs. W. H. Blodgett, treasurer of the benevolent committee, gave her report and read a letter from Mary J. Everhart of the Olive Branch Mission, expressing the appreciation of the workers for the good things sent in for the children Thanksgiving.

Mrs. George Smith presided in the dining room, serving Mrs. Johnstone's famous tea to the guests.

LOCAL NEWS

—We wish you all a happy New Year.

—James Reha was taken suddenly ill with appendicitis on Christmas day. He was placed on the 1:34 train and removed to the West Side Hospital in Chicago, where an operation was performed at 3 o'clock.

—Miss Easton will spend part of her vacation with Professor and Mrs. Bloum at Williams Bay.

—Mr. Walter Farrar of Valparaiso, Ind., visited relatives and friends.

—F. L. Pratt and family of Oakwood avenue are entertaining his sister and children.

—John Findley and family spent Christmas in Chicago at his daughter's in Woodlawn.

—Mr. Herman Paine is at work again, after three weeks' suffering from an inflammation of the right ankle, caused by an attack of rheumatism.

—Why so much trouble with mashes when ladies have the old, God-given weapon of loss of sight and hearing? "None so dull as those who won't hear, and none so blind as those who won't see."

—Why go out doors to catch cold, when it will catch you in an ill-ventilated house for the winter?

—Why call it typhoid fever? What our grossmutterers very graphically and correctly attribute to spoil stomach.

—Miss Easton will give an entertainment on January 3 at Prairie View.

—Mr. F. M. Lucore is in the South on a business trip.

—Miss Harriet Prince is at home from Madison for the holidays.

—Rex Hawkins and family spent Christmas with his mother in Chicago.

—George Bridgman and family spent Christmas at Clarendon Hills.

—I should worry like a ruler and die by inches.

—Frank Willard and family spent Christmas in Hinsdale with the Bird family.

—Sylvester Lyman and family spent Christmas at Asa Bannister's home near Naperville.

—Roy Moore, who is attending Northwestern Dental College, is in town, visiting his uncle and family, Lester Barr.

—Judson Hamersmith did not celebrate Christmas as joyfully as he would like, owing to an accident which befell him while skating on the creek last Tuesday evening, when he fell and broke his arm. The lad was taken to his home and a physician attended his injury.

—Miss Idella Binder has been ill at her home on West Curtiss street, with an attack of grip.

—Miss Vivian Rogers of La Crosse, Wis., is visiting her many friends here during the holidays.

—The young son of Mr. and Mrs. George Cooper, who underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Presbyterian Hospital, is recovering slowly.

—Mrs. Easton will entertain her brother and his wife for Christmas.

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MOTIOGRAPH NEWS
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29th

"AN ARSENT MINDED BURGLAR"
He forgets he is a burglar and is held up by professionals.

"AFTER THE HONEYMOON"
A hogging comedy with an object lesson—see story elsewhere in this paper.

"A LETTER TO THE PRINCESS"
This is the fifth story of "What Happened to Mary." It is made in connection with the story in the Woman's Journal.

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